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SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

As per the Examiner's request in a telephone conversation of April 14, 2003 with Kevin Laurence, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following substitute specification. A clean copy of the substitute specification and a marked up version showing changes made are enclosed.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the entire specification with the attached substitute specification.